THE MINUTES OF THE HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS

Tuesday, May 24, 2005

10:30 a.m.

Room 326 House Office Building

The House Standing Committee on Government Operations was called to order by **Representative Leon Drolet**, Chair.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Representatives Drolet, Hoogendyk, Gosselin, Garfield, Sheen, Tobocman, Lipsey and Lemmons, III.

MEMBERS ABSENT/EXCUSED: None.

Chairman Drolet, opened the floor for discussion on House Bill 4617.

HB 4617 Moolenaar

Environmental protection; cleanups; designation of a facility; require to be based upon samples collected from the property.

TESTIMONY

Representative Moolenaar, sponsor of HB 4617, explained his bill to the committee.

Frank Ruswick, Special Assistant to the Director, Department of Environmental Quality, opposed the legislation.

Lynelle Marolf, Assistant Division Chief, Remediation and Redevelopment Division, Department of Environment Quality, opposed the legislation.

Dr. David Garabrant, University of Michigan, indicated neutrality of the legislation.

Connie L. Valliere, Executive Officer, Home Builders Association of Midland, supported the legislation.

Leonard Heinzman, representing the Tittabawassee River Voice, supported the legislation.

Shirley Salas, representing the Tittabawassee River Voice, supported the legislation.

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Richard McInerney, President, United Steel Workers, Local 12934, supported the legislation.

Scott Holman, representing himself, supported the legislation.

Bill Egerer, representing Midland Matters, supported the legislation.

The following people submitted a testimony card in support of the bill but were unable to speak due to time constraints:

Veronica Horn, Executive Vice-President, representing the Saginaw County Chamber of Commerce.

Rick Hayes, representing Tittabawassee Township.

Neill Varner, representing the Saginaw County Health Department.

Karl Tomion, City Manager of Midland.

Doug Roberts, representing the Michigan Chamber of Commerce.

The following people submitted a testimony card in support of the bill and did not wish to speak:

Dawn Crandall, representing the Michigan Association of Home Builders.

Brad Ward, representing the Michigan Association of Realtors.

Rob Anderson, representing the Michigan Farm Bureau.

Jenee Velasquez, representing Midland Tomorrow.

Michael Krecek, representing the Midland County Health Department.

Joe Fivas, representing the Michigan Municipal League.

The following people submitted a testimony card in opposition to the bill but were unable to speak due to time constraints:

Betty Damore, representing Tittabawassee Floodplain Residents.

James Clift, representing the Michigan Environmental Council.

Terry Miller, representing Lone Tree Council.

The following people submitted a testimony card indicating neutrality on the bill but were unable to speak due to time constraints:

Mike Johnston, representing the Michigan Manufacturers Association.

Andy Such, representing the Michigan Chemistry Council.

Representative Gosselin moved to adopt the minutes of the May 10 and May 18, 2005 meetings. The motion was supported by Representative Hoogendyk. There being no objection, the motion carried by unanimous consent.

There being no further business to come before the committee, the Chair adjourned the meeting at 12:09 p.m.

Representative Leon Drolet, Chair **House Standing Committee on Government Operations** Malika Abdur-Rashid Committee Clerk

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1 Hour and 39 Minutes